

March 2009

March has come in somewhat tame. I pray for rain with no storms. We have just a few short months left for this year of Uptown. Region Director Knox just finished up her Spring Conference and had the incoming officers installed. Glenda did a great job for Region 6 and we are very proud she is one of Uptown's front and center members. I am a little partial as she is our 1st Vice President as well. I am sure we will hear more about the conference in the coming meetings. Trisha Affleck from San Angelo was installed as our new Region Director. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she recently lost her husband and she has also been in the hospital herself. Please lift up her family as they move forward through this difficult time.

April is just around the corner and we have our 9th annual "BPW in Bloom" style show scheduled for April 8th, 2009. This event will be a bit different than from years past. We are at the Midland Center this year. The time will be the same as the past events, 11:30 to 1:00. The models will walk a runway this year. We are trying a new approach this year with a buffet from Carino's. Rumor has it we will have several big draw local celebrities. The deadline for the Midland Reporter Telegram ad will be March 20, 2009. That is just a short week away. If you are planning on having your company mentioned in the ad it must be in to Glenda Knox the morning of the 20th. We will have more room and lots of tasty food so plan to attend, bring a friend and or help get sponsors for the scholarship fund we have proudly sponsored over the years. We have plenty of room to grow this year, so we can make it the best style show ever. The style show committee has worked really hard to make this event a success. Please plan to attend. This is our yearly event to fund our scholarship program. Each semester we award 4 scholarships in the amount of \$500.00 each to women who have decided to go back to school or change careers. So it is vitally important that we have a successful event to further this much needed program.

April will also be the time when we look for members to step up to the challenge of serving as an officer for Uptown. The nominating committee will be working on this as we move towards our May elections. Please be ready to say "yes" when the nominating committee calls you to step up for BPW.

In May we will have our annual business meeting. We will hear reports from all the committees as well as elect officers for 2009-2010. This will be a "members only" meeting.

See you soon,

Building Powerful Women:

Sheila Warren